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Fourteenth-st., Fifth-ave. and Broadway, in the neighborhood of Union Square, were fringed with people who wished to secure the best vantage available to view the parade before 9 o'clock. Half an hour later the train erected at Fourteenth-st. and University-place was filled with the persons who had received tickets of admission, and not until the rain had become pitiless did the numbers decrease. The fringe of people on the sidewalks gradually widened into a deep band of humanity until locomotion was well-nigh impossible. Wagons, carts, coaches and other vehicles, almost of every description, formed a barricade all along the south-eastern edge of the square, and, in the absence of a bumping that made up in quantity what was sadly lacking in quality, this line of tangled wheels, poles, wagon-bodies and horses presented more color than the parade itself. The vehicles were crowded by family parties, but most of them, provided with improvised seats made of planks, were filled by sight-seers who paid for the privilege of being there. At the north end of the square no signs of special decoration were to be noted on the string of pennants and flag that flapped as usual in the face of the wind. The building that presented a front covered with bunting, coats of arms, flags and festoons in the national colors, looking upward, however, like a giant's head, and the building that hung from the flagstaff of nearly every building as far as the eye could reach. The windows of every building from which a view could be obtained of the parade were filled with people. In spite of the rain many roofs were lined by people with and without umbrellas. Sounds of music were faintly heard at the reviewing stand every

The rotunda, corridors and parlors of the Fifth Avenue Hotel were thronged shortly before 8 a. m. by the staffs of the various visiting Governors. They were full military suits, consisting of dark blue cloth frock coats and trousers, with belt and sword attached. The gold epaulettes, or shoulder knots which were worn in some instances, the bright army buttons and gold cord looked tasteful and effective against the background of dark blue. The dress is neat and stylish without being gaudy, and is particularly adapted to setting off a good figure to advantage—which most of the members of the staffs had the good fortune to possess—and not a few were also favored with handsome features. They looked picturesque as with easy grace they lounged and loitered about the hotel, and attracted many admiring and not always furtive glances from the lady guests of the hotel. The Presidential party and the Governors, with their respective staffs, had been directed to rendezvous in the gentlemen's parlor on the second floor. So long as the party was tardy in getting together, though James M. Varnum, of the Committee of Arrangements, was most assiduous in his efforts to collect them. This was mainly due to the late arrival of the President and the members of his cabinet who accompanied him.

By 8 o'clock there were not many in the parlor, but thereafter they began to come in in

The second division, which was composed of two divisions of the National Guard of New-York, the National Guard of Connecticut and New-Jersey and independent and veteran organizations, assembled with military promptness. The Connecticut troops were first on the field and, taking their position in East Fifty-first-st., shivered under the protection of the Cathedral for an hour or two before they took up their line of march. The last in position was the veteran corps of the National Guard of New-York, headed by the 7th Regiment veterans, which did not reach West Forty-fourth-st., the place assigned it, until some time after the hour appointed for the starting of the procession. But the veterans found plenty of time to kick their heels on the cold pavement before they were called on to join the line.

The division, which was under the command of Major-General John C. Smith, consisted of 1000 men, divided into four battalions, marching in line from the side streets from Forty-fourth-st. to Fifty-fifth-st., right resting on Fifth-ave. It was composed of the first and second divisions of the National Guard of New-York, the Connecticut National Guard, the New-Jersey National Guard, independent organizations and the veteran corps of the National Guard of New-York. The First Division of the National

White: Veterans of the 103d, Colonel Miller; Veterans of the 39th, Captain Stonebrook; Veterans of the 20th, Conrad Thuniger; Veteran Singing "The Star-Spangled Banner," Mr. J. W. C. Shehan; and the Soldiers and Sailors' Union, E. C. Walter. In joining the marching column the veterans marched eight abreast, and were vociferously cheered as they wheeled into line by the crowds in Fifth-ave.

THE FIFTH DIVISION.

The Fifth Division formed in West Thirty-eighth, East and West Thirty-seventh, East and West Thirty-sixth and East Thirty-fifth sts., General Lloyd Aspinwall commanding. He was at his post, at Fifth-ave, and West Thirty-eighth-st., at 9 a. m., and about the same time Superintendent Walling, Inspectors Murray and Dilks, and Captains Williams, McCullough, Brogan, McDonnell and the adjutant appeared at the Fifth-ave, at this part of the parade. It was almost the old old army draymen, who an hour before had taken positions at the corners with their carts and wagons, only to be driven away later. At 9 a. m. this district was a mass of people. West Thirty-seventh-st., between Fifth and Sixth aves., was filled with policemen on foot and policemen mounted. Across the way were the veterans of the Mexican War.

The rain made the delay in starting the parade so disheartening that many people went home. A good many of the organizations that waited in the rain for the parade to start, including instead of growing as the time passed on. The firemen waiting above thirty-fifth-st, got their handkerchiefs wet and were more joining the parade, and General MacArthur, who was waiting for the parade to start, if he wished he was the clerk of the weather, as he bled his dripping horse. At Forty-second-st, a group of Army men and a few Caledonians in Scotch kilts and sporrans, were waiting for the parade and made frequent sallies into the basement of the Hotel Bristol.

The procession had started the crowd cheered frequently. The old Washington coach, the President and Cabinet, the 7th, 22d, 23d and 13th Regiments, the handsomely uniformed visiting troops, the bands and the veteran soldiers were all warmly greeted. The crowd on the sidewalks in the windows of the Windsor Hotel, the Union League and University Club, and they cheered at the sight of the bands and the troops. The crowd of gentle irony, played "Wait till the clouds roll by, gentle." Some of the soldiers drew their caps over their heads, giving them the appearance of being in a hurry to get home. The flags were drawn over some of the handsomer flags to protect them from the weather.

The decorations on the houses between Fifty-seventh and Fifty-ninth streets, were very attractive.

THE SECOND REVIEWING-STAND.

It was about 11 o'clock when two policemen, mounted on horses whose sides shone with rain, galloped down from Fifth-ave. to the Union Square reviewing stand and gave orders for the clearing of the streets in order to let the procession pass. For about an hour the rain had been falling and the stand was packed with people whose raised umbrellas gave it the appearance of a mound of clausheils. The committee-men in charge of the stand were ex-Alderman J. W. Hawes, the chief, and John F. Baker, M. C. Addison, M. M. Budlog, Joseph Polk and George Hill, his brother. The first row of seats on the stand were reserved for Consuls of South American States. Among the guests were Collector Robertson, Chief Justice Daly, Judges Cowing, Hayes, Trix and Ingraham, General Attorney, of New York.